Dereservation of Garment Manufacturing Industry

2780. SHRI SWARAJ KAUSHAL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government propose to dereserve garment manufacturing industry from the SSI list; and

(b) if so, the impact it will have on the workers employed in the SSI units and the entrepreneurs in this Industry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) and (b) The matter is under examination. The aspects of employment and productivity would be the most important considerations.

Losses to SSI in Orissa

2781. SHRI MAN MOHAN SAMAL: Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the loss suffered by Small Scale Industries due to the cyclone in Orissa in the recent past;

(b) whether Government have formulated any scheme for rehabilitation of these Small Scale Industries; and

(c) if so, the progress made so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES AND AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE): (a) to (c) As per the information furnished by the Government of Orissa, 3307 SSI units have been affected and the damage has been estimated at Rs. 97.23 crores. A Relief Package comprising assistance from the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC), the Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI), the National Small Industries Corporation (NSIC) and